HB784 FAVORABLE

The Honorable Kumar Barve, Chair Room 251, House Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

As introduced, HB784 would require that a builder of new residential units, single family detached and townhouses, provide a notice to a potential buyer of the availability of a dedicated electric line for an electric vehicle charging station (EVSE). In addition, specific information is to be provided on available rebates for EVSEs.

Future proofing new residences for EVSEs is a prudent action to take today. Maryland has currently almost 30,000 electric vehicles registered. The MD Green House Gas Reduction Plan includes 300,000 electric vehicles by 2025. This will result in significant CO2 tailpipe reductions in the light duty car fleet. Electric vehicle owners want convenience in charging their cars, 90% of electric vehicle owners expect to charge at home. This bill will aid in consumers building out the EVSE infrastructure in Maryland.

I ask that your committee report out this bill favorably.

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